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Israeli's rewards to Pollard in spying detailed for court

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The careful grooming, expensive maintenance and eventual capture of a spy for Israel — Jonathan Jay Pollard — were detailed for a U.S. District judge yesterday in a court filing by U.S. prosecutors.

From the purchase by the spy's thoughtful Israeli handler of a \$7,000 diamond and sapphire ring for Pollard's fiancée to the mistakes that led to his discovery, the court papers provide the most complete account yet of the case.

The information was submitted to Chief Judge Aubrey E. Robinson Jr. to help the judge prepare for sentencing of Pollard, scheduled for Feb. 10. In their submissions, prosecutors argue that Pollard should be sentenced to "a substantial period of incarceration" and fined.

Pollard, who pleaded guilty to charges of espionage in June, could be sentenced to a life term and fined up to \$250,000. His wife, Anne Henderson-Pollard, pleaded guilty to two lesser charges and faces up to 10 years in prison.

According to the prosecutors' memorandum, Pollard has told investigators he decided to become an Israeli agent in 1982, while a watch officer with top-secret clearance at the Navy's Anti-Terrorist Alert Center in Suitland.

Some of Pollard's longtime friends have said he bragged of contacts with the Mossad, Israel's intelligence service, before he even worked for the Navy. But Pollard told investigators he decided to spy for Israel after meeting with Israeli military representatives convinced him the United States should supply more information to its Middle Eastern ally.

He said his chance came in 1984, when a friend mentioned he had met an Israeli air force pilot who claimed to have led Israel's raid on the Iraqi nuclear reactor in 1981.

The friend arranged a meeting between the two in Washington, and Pollard explained that he wanted to use his extensive access to classified material to help Israel.

The two worked out a system using Hebrew letters to designate pay phones near Pollard's Dupont Circle apartment to stay in touch. In

further meetings Pollard began supplying classified documents to be copied.

Then the pilot arranged for Pollard to travel to Paris in November 1984 to meet Rafael Eitan, a legendary Israeli intelligence figure. Mr. Eitan and several other Israelis have been interviewed by federal investigators in Israel.

At a series of meetings in Paris, Pollard, Mr. Eitan and Joseph "Yossi" Yagur, Pollard's new handler, worked out Pollard's initial pay: \$10,000 cash to pay for the trip expenses, \$1,500 a month thereafter, and the \$7,000 ring he had noticed in a jewelry store the previous day.

Pollard later easily won a raise to \$2,500 a month from the Israelis.

Pollard told investigators the men told him he would be "taken care of" if apprehended by U.S. authorities, and Mr. Eitan assured him any action against him by those authorities could be "contained."

Beginning in January 1985, prosecutors claim, Pollard made a routine of delivering U.S. classified documents every two weeks to Irit Erb, a former secretary at the Israeli embassy, at a D.C. apartment.

Pollard continued his spying, checking out more than 1,000 classified documents — many hundreds of pages long — from secure libraries in the Washington area and using a courier's pass to take them from the buildings without being searched.

A detailed description of those documents was given to Judge Robinson in another court submission that is not being made public. But the memorandum submitted yesterday mentions information on weapons systems, including Soviet missile systems, and daily message traffic that provided information on U.S. ship positions and aircraft stations.

It was not until September or October 1985, prosecutors report, that Pollard's supervisors became aware that he was checking out extensive material that should not have concerned him in his job of "Caribbean-Continental United States analyst."

On Oct. 25, a co-worker noticed him carrying classified material from his work, setting off the investigation.

After giving officials contradictory stories, he eventually was arrested while leaving the Israeli Embassy.